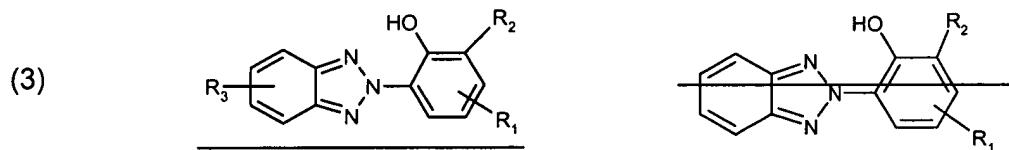


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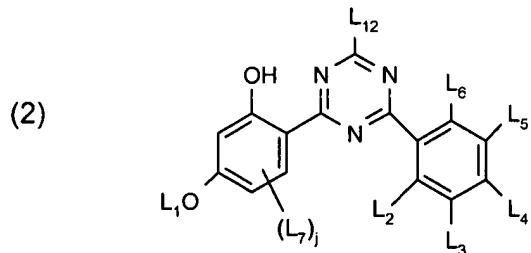
Kindly amend the claims without prejudice to read as follows.

Claims 1-15 (cancelled).

16. (presently amended): A method for protecting body-care and household products ~~which are stored in a container which has a low absorption in the UV-A range and which are subject to photolytic degradation~~, which comprises incorporating into said body care or household products from 50 to 1000 ppm of a benzotriazole of formula



and, ~~or~~ optionally, from 50 to 1000 ppm of a triazine compound of formula



wherein

R<sub>1</sub> is -SO<sub>3</sub>M;

M is an alkali metal cation or ammonium cation and

R<sub>2</sub> is unsubstituted or phenyl-substituted C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>12</sub>alkyl;

R<sub>3</sub> is hydrogen or Cl;

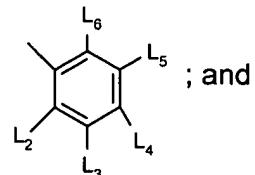
L<sub>1</sub> is C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>22</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>22</sub>alkenyl or C<sub>5</sub>-C<sub>7</sub>cycloalkyl;

L<sub>2</sub> and L<sub>6</sub> are each independently of the other H, OH, halogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>22</sub>alkyl, halomethyl;

L<sub>3</sub>, L<sub>5</sub> and L<sub>7</sub> are each independently of one another H, OH, OL<sub>1</sub>, halogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>22</sub>alkyl, halomethyl;

L<sub>4</sub> is H, OH, OL<sub>1</sub>, halogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>22</sub>alkyl, phenyl, halomethyl;

L<sub>12</sub> is C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>22</sub>alkyl, phenyl C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>5</sub>alkyl, C<sub>5</sub>-C<sub>7</sub>cycloalkyl, OL<sub>1</sub> or a group of formula



j is 0, 1, 2 or 3.

Claims 17-19. (cancelled).

20. (previously presented): A method according to claim 16 in which the body-care products are for the skin and its adnexa.

21. (previously presented): A method according to claim 20, wherein the body-care products are selected from skin-care products, bath and shower additives, preparations containing fragrances and odoriferous substances, hair-care products, dentifrices, deodorizing and antiperspirant preparations, decorative preparations, light protection formulations and preparations containing active ingredients.

22. (previously presented): A method according to claim 21, wherein the skin-care products are selected from body oils, body lotions, body gels, treatment creams, skin protection ointments, shaving preparations and skin powders.

23. (previously presented): A method according to claim 21, wherein the preparations containing fragrances and odoriferous substances are selected from scents, perfumes, toilet waters and shaving lotions (aftershave preparations).

24. (previously presented): A method according to claim 21, wherein the hair-care products are selected from shampoos, hair conditioners, products for styling and treating hair, perming agents, hair sprays and lacquers, hair gels, hair fixatives and hair dyeing or bleaching agents.

25. (previously presented): A method according to claim 21, wherein the decorative preparations are selected from lipsticks, nail varnishes, eye shadows, mascara, dry and moist make-up, rouge, powders, depilatory agents and suntan lotions.

26. (previously presented): A method according to claim 21, wherein the preparations containing active ingredients are selected from hormone preparations, vitamin preparations, vegetable extract preparations and antibacterial preparations.

Claims 27-30: (cancelled).

31. (previously presented): A method according to claim 16, wherein

$R_1$  is  $-SO_3M$ ; and

$R_2$  is sec-butyl.